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SYSTEM  
Attorney Docket No: 10541-1777

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), Applicants cite the following references (each listed for the Examiner's convenience on the enclosed Form PTO-1449):

No.	Date of Publication	Patentee/Applicant/Assignee
4,741,409	05/03/1988	Westercamp et al.
4,771,846	09/20/1988	Venable et al.
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OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)
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International Publication No. WO 99/39967, Inventor: Bohner et al., Published on August 12, 1999, entitled: STEERING SYSTEM

A copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2) is also enclosed. Applicants respectfully solicit the Examiner's consideration of the listed references and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicants are attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

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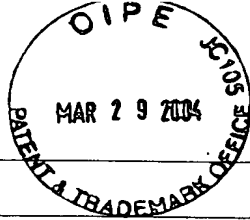
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